



## FY2006 (7/1/05 – 6/30/06) Annual Work Plan

### Columbia Conservation District

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#### Vision of the Columbia Conservation District

- Columbia County residents will be enabled to implement stewardship of our natural resources through voluntary practices without compromise of economic viability or social standards of the region.

#### Mission of the Columbia Conservation District

- Provide the needed support to people who own, manage, or utilized the natural resources so their activities will enhance the region's natural resources while ensuring the quality of life & culture these resources provide.

#### Natural Resource Priorities and Goals:

- 1) Look at CSP qualifications, and get the information to the producers – host/sponsor neighborhood meetings.
- 2) Develop concept of soil quality parameters & measurements and how to accomplish.
- 3) Actively promote alternatives to burning, demonstrations, county tours – encourage research on alternatives.
- 4) Assist livestock producers in achieving compliance with water quality standards – self-assessment, educational events.
- 5) Continue to promote irrigation efficiencies program with remaining irrigators.
- 6) Facilitate Coordinated Resource Management type of activities for forest and grazing land managers.
- 7) Promote off-site water developments for range utilization.
- 8) Assist land managers develop and implement Fish & Wildlife Habitat management plans.

#### Information – Education Priorities and Goals:

- Conduct winter neighborhood meetings to impart technical assistance to address resource concern.
  - Organize and conduct an annual producer education day in January.
  - Conduct a spring producer tour in May to evaluate current practices and potential alternatives and improvements.
  - Support WSU Cooperative Extension in providing producer participation in agro-economic organizations, workshops, tours, and resource planning.
- Support resource based youth education.
  - Provide trees for 6<sup>th</sup> grade environmental camp.
  - Provide soil stewardship materials to all county school children in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - Provide materials and equipment in support of Salmon in the Classroom education project.
  - Provide materials and organization for State Soil Judging Contest.

#### District Operations Priorities, Goals & Funding Sources:

- Support staff training to maintain quality district operations.
- Staff to participate in state and region wide planning and programmatic task forces, committees, and teams.

#### Washington Conservation Districts assisting land managers with their conservation choices

Clean run-off with direct seeding as a production agriculture management choice.





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**Program Area:** Salmonid Habitat enhancement, restoration, protection

**Goal(s):** Address some portion of all the above listed District Long Range Goals.

**Funding Source(s):** BPA, WDOE, SRFB, and WCC.



NOAA Fisheries, USF&WS, & WDFW new specification compliant fish screen

Activities for FY2005				
	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Install WDFW, USF&WS, and NOAA Fisheries compliant fish screens to 20 irrigation water diversions.	Ongoing – 20 additional from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD staff team	40	96,000.00
Install WDOE compliant flow meters on 20 irrigation water diversions.	Ongoing – 20 additional from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD staff team	10	27,000.00
Conduct maintenance activities on 2 instream projects to maintain project integrity	July 1, 2005 through August 31, 2005	CCD staff team	28	30,000.00
Develop executive summaries for 2 irrigation efficiencies projects.	July 1, 2005 through January 31, 2006	CCD staff team	30	6,000.00
Install 3 irrigation efficiencies projects.	July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD staff team	90	700,000.00
Work with 2 private landowners to replace fish barrier culverts	July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD and engineering staff	60	14,000.00
Install 8 new CREP projects	July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD staff team	20	40,000.00
Provide technical and financial assistance for 65 CREP contracts.	July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD staff team	120	160,000.00
Provide materials and technical support for Salmon in the Classroom	December 2005 through May 2006	CCD staff team	3	1,000.00



Provide trees for riparian development to 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp  
Participate in WCC CREP Task Force

April 2006 July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD staff team Terry	1 20	500.00 4,000.00
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**Program Area:** Production Agriculture

**Goal(s):** Address some portion of all the above listed District Long Range Goals.

**Funding Source(s):** Administrative Services, WCC, BPA

Improved soil quality and quantity (organic matter).



**Activities for FY2005**

Activities for FY2005	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time(Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Administer the Columbia County Agriculture Burn Program for the Columbia County Commission and WDOE	July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	CCD staff team	180	25,000.00
Install 4 Livestock Management Plans	July 1, 2005 through June, 2006	CCD staff team	60	80,000.00
Conduct winter neighborhood meeting to help producers prepare for CSP, determine soil quality testing and measurements parameters, promote full acceptance of direct seeding techniques, and encourage total resource management plan implementation.	January 1, 2006 through March 31, 2006	CCD, Extension, NRSC, FSA CCD staff Team with support from WSU Extension	20	5,000.00
Conduct 1 annual cooperator/producer educational meeting	January 2006	CCD staff Team with support from WSU Extension	5	1,000.00
Conduct 1 spring producer tour	May 2006	CCD staff Team with support from WSU Extension	2	800.00
Participate in WCC State Livestock Influenced Water Quality Task Force	July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006	Terry	15	5,000.00
Provide Soil Stewardship Materials to county Kindergartners through 5 <sup>th</sup> graders	April 2006		1	300.00



## FY2006 Annual Budget <sup>\*</sup>(7/1/05 - 6/30/06) Columbia Conservation District

Employee Expenses	
Salaries	\$110,800.00
Benefits	<u>\$ 20,174.00</u>
	\$130,974.00
Travel	
	<u>\$ 7,200.00</u>
	\$ 7,200.00
District Operations	
Communications	\$ 2,400.00
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 2,500.00
Computer Support	\$ 3,400.00
Supplies	\$ 3,450.00
Trees	\$25,000.00
Professional Services	\$17,600.00
Advertising	\$ 400.00
Insurance	\$ 3,000.00
Dues	\$ 2,500.00
Rent	\$ 2,050.00
Training	<u>\$ 3,000.00</u>
	\$ 65,300.00
Educational Activities	
Supplies & Materials	\$ 700.00
Transportation	\$ 300.00
Professional Services	<u>\$ 526.00</u>
	\$ 1,526.00
Project Implementation by funding source (cost share & professional services to carry out implementation)	
BPA	\$250,000.00
SRFB	\$500,600.00
WDOE	\$120,000.00
WCC	<u>\$120,000.00</u>
	<u>\$990,600.00</u>
***Total	\$1,195,600.00

\* We operate on a fiscal year of January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>.

\*\* Budget doesn't include awards for grants being submitted this year.

\*\*\* Total doesn't include future irrigation efficiencies project contracting.